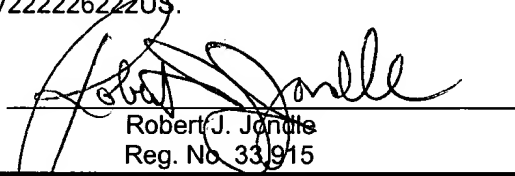




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In response to the ~~Final~~ Office Action mailed March 22, 2002, please consider the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. As discussed in the previous Amendment, Applicant submits the words "uncharacterized DNA" as used in the specification and claims has a standard recognized meaning by skilled artisans. A skilled artisan knows characterized DNA means the exact nucleotide sequence is known whereas uncharacterized DNA means the nucleotide sequence has not been characterized or sequenced. Applicants have sufficiently described the method of the present invention and are clearly in possession of the claimed invention.

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